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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Chief Appellate Mediator, Utah Court of Appeals, 2001 to present.

Staff Attorney, Utah Court of Appeals, 1995 to 2001.

Attorney, Appel & Warlaumont, 1992 to 1995.

Attorney, Haley & Stolebarger, 1989 to 1992.

Law Clerk, Haley & Stolebarger, 1987 to 1989.

Law Clerk, Utah Governor Norman H. Bangerter's Office, summer 1986.

Intern, Senate Republican Conference Committee, Washington, D.C., fall 1984.

Counselor, University of Utah Honors Program, 1983 to 1985.

Page, United States Senate, Washington, D.C., fall 1979.

## **EDUCATION**

Juris Doctorate Degree, S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah, 1988.

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Training,

    Straus Institute at Pepperdine School of Law, Malibu, California, June 2002;

    Mediation Training, Utah Dispute Resolution, Salt Lake City, Utah, April-May 2001.

Honors Bachelor of Arts Degree (English), University of Utah, 1985.

**Student Honors/Activities:****Law School:**

*Journal of Contemporary Law/ Journal of Energy Law and Policy*

Note and Comment Editor, 1987 to 1988.

Staff Member, 1986 to 1987.

Author, Comment, "Radioactive Waste in Our Backyards:

A State's Perspective," 9 J. Energy L. & Pol'y 47 (1988).

**Undergraduate:**

Phi Beta Kappa

Phi Kappa Phi

Beehive Honor Society

Owl and Key (Senior Honor Society)

Skull and Bones (Junior Honor Society)

Mortar Board (Junior Honor Society)

Honors at Entrance Scholarship

Liberal Education Study Abroad Scholarship, (Neuchâtel, Switzerland)

**PROFESSIONAL AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE****Utah State Bar/ADR-Related Service:**

Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee for Utah State Courts,

Committee Member, 2001 to present.

Utah Dispute Resolution:

Board Member, 2008 to present;

Vice Chair, 2009 to present;

Member, Personnel and Programs Committee, 2009 to present.

**Utah State Bar/ADR-Related Service (continued):**

Utah Council on Conflict Resolution:

Board Member, 2013 to present;

Peacekeeper Award Committee, 2016 to present;

Board Chair, 2013 to 2014;

Chair, May 2008 Symposium entitled "Coming Together";

Member, Symposium Planning Committee, 2002 to 2010.

Dispute Resolution Section of Utah State Bar, Executive Committee:

Past Chair, 2007 to 2008;

Chair, 2006 to 2007;

Vice-Chair, 2005 to 2006;

Secretary, 2004 to 2005;

Treasurer, 2003 to 2004.

Member, Planning Committee for Utah State Bar Annual Convention, 2003 to 2008.

Member, Planning Committee for Utah State Bar Spring Convention, 2003 to 2008.

Speaker at Mid-Year Utah Bar Convention in St. George, Utah, 2004, 2007, 2008.

Speaker at Annual Utah Bar Convention in Sun Valley, Idaho, 2003, 2004, 2007.

Moderator of panel discussion at Utah State Bar's Fall Forum, 2005.

Guest speaker, University of Utah School of Law, Judicial Process Class, 2004 to 2010.

Guest speaker, Bar section meetings/CLE presentations, 2003 to 2011.

**Other Community Service:**

University of Utah Board of Trustees (2008 to 2016):

Chair (first woman), 2014 to 2016;

Vice Chair, 2009 to 2014;

Member of Subcommittees—Executive, Audit, Finance, Community Forum.

**Other Community Service (continued):**

University of Utah Alumni Association (2005 to 2011):

President, 2008 to 2011;

Board Member, 2005 to 2008;

Member of Subcommittees—Executive, Scholarships and Awards, Marketing, House Renovation.

University of Utah Board of Advisors, Undergraduate Advancement, 2016 to present.

University of Utah Humanities Partnership Board Member, January 2017 to present.

University of Utah Crimson Parents

Chair, January 2017 to present.

Town Club of Salt Lake City, member, 2012 to present:

Treasurer, 2016 to present;

Assistant Treasurer, 2015 to 2016;

Drafted re-write of Bylaws, 2016.

Board Member, Utah Museum of Fine Arts Leadership Council, 2009 to 2016.

Board Member, Red Butte Garden Board of Directors, 2006 to 2016.

Board Member, KUED, 2011 to 2017.

Member, University of Utah School of Music Ambassadors, 2006 to 2013.

Volunteer, Indian Hills Elementary School, 2000 to 2008.

Assistant Coach, Junior Jazz Basketball, 2004 to 2008.

Board Member, Legal Aid Society, 2000 to 2006.

Board Member, University of Utah Crimson Club, 2000 to 2004.

President, University of Utah Inter-Fraternity Alumni Association, 1992 to 1993.

President, Kappa Gamma Sorority House Corporation, 1991 to 1992.

Member, Utah State Bar Committee on Domestic Violence, 1991 to 1992.

## ARTICLES/SPEECHES

**“Mediation in Administrative Agencies,”** Second Annual ALJ, Government and Admin Law Conference, May 2015, Salt Lake City, Utah, panel member.

**“Hidden Advocacy Strategies in Mediation,”** Excellence in ADR: Mastering Process, Advocacy and Ethics seminar, March 2011, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and panel moderator.

**“Civility and Mediation,”** ADR Academy, December 2010, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Mediation Hits the Headlines: What You May Not Know But Should,”** July 2009, December 2009, Utah State Bar Annual Convention, Sun Valley, Idaho, and “Best of Series,” Salt Lake City, Utah, speaker.

**“Mediation, Arbitration, and Litigation,”** March 2009, Governor’s Economic Summit, Salt Lake City, Utah, speaker.

**“Understanding Cultures: A Tool for Problem Solving,”** May 2008, Utah Council on Conflict Resolution Symposium, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Utah Court and Agency Programs,”** April 2008, Utah Agency Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“How to Prepare for and Succeed in Mediation,”** December 2007, Utah State Bar Presentation, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“The Mediation Process--Do What Works: Joint Meetings, Caucuses, Stages, Phases,”** September 2007, ADR Academy, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Mediation Musings,”** July 2007, Utah State Bar Annual Convention, Sun Valley, Idaho, author and speaker.

**“Utah Court of Appeals: What We’ve Learned in Twenty Years,”** July 2007, Utah State Bar Annual Convention, Sun Valley, Idaho, author and speaker.

**“Appellate Mediation: It’s Never Too Late to Mediate,”** May 2007, Utah State Bar Appellate Law Section, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“ADR is For You: What Can Be Learned from Court Programs,”** 2007, Utah State Bar presentation, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Appellate Mediation,”** Southern Utah Bar Association Conference, December 2006, St. George, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Why Don’t You Let Us Talk: Advice Practitioners Have For Mediators,”** October 2006, ADR Academy, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Don’t Eat That Poison Apple: Tips on How to Successfully Mediate,”** October 2006, Utah State Government Conference, Moab, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Here’s Why You Should Settle Your Case on Appeal,”** 2005, author.

**“Negotiation Tips From All Kinds of Professionals,”** November 2005, Utah State Bar Fall Forum, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Maneuvering Through Mediation: The Tricks, Twists and Turns of Finding Untracked Powder--Resolution,”** Sept/Oct 2005 Bar Journal, pp. 30-32, author.

**“Deal Making Part II--Practical Applications: Using Negotiation and Mediation in Deals,”** July 2004, Utah State Bar Annual Convention, Sun Valley, Idaho, author and speaker.

**“Being a Fly on the Wall in Mediation: What’s Going in the Other Side’s Room?”** March 2004, Utah State Bar Mid-Year Convention, St. George, Utah, author and speaker.

**“Navigating Utah's Mediation Programs: What You Need to Know,”** July 2003, Utah State Bar Annual Convention, Sun Valley, Idaho, author and speaker.

**“Why Settle on Appeal,”** 2001, Utah State Bar presentation, Salt Lake City, Utah, author and speaker.

## **PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION**

Selected by *Utah Business Magazine* as one of “30 Women to Watch,” 2010;

Recipient, Peter W. Billings Sr. Award for Excellence in Dispute Resolution, 2011;

Recipient, Peacekeeper Award from Utah Council on Conflict Resolution, 2015.

## **PERSONAL**

Born: Fort Bragg, Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Husband: Benjamin Ted Wilson (Ben), graduate S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah, 1989.

Daughter: Samantha, a 2016 University of Utah graduate (Entertainment Art & Engineering).

Son: Matthew, a junior at the University of Utah (Computer Engineering).

Pastimes: Being with family, tennis, skiing, snowboarding, mountain biking, hiking, sports spectating, traveling, and enjoying the arts.